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**EXECUTING A TRANSACTION TASK WITHIN A** 

TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEM

**EMPLOYING SYMMETRIC MULTIPROCESSORS** 

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A check for \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a one month extension of time. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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